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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Patrick F. Coleman et al.

Application No.: 09/515,014

Filed: February 29, 2000

For: SYNTHETIC ANTIGEN FOR THE  
DETECTION OF ANTIBODIES  
IMMUNOREACTIVE WITH HIV  
VIRUS

Customer No.: 20350

Examiner: T. Brown

Technology Center/Art Unit: 1648

### AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed May 19, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 14 of this paper.